

NASA Supply Chain Insight Central (SCIC) Information Services Platform *Initial Release Overview*

An initiative of the NASA Office of Safety and Mission Assurance (OSMA)
and its Supply Chain Risk Management (SCRM) Program

NASA missions rely upon multitiered, interconnected and global supply chains to develop and operate complex, high-value and innovative systems. These supply chains are subject to a dynamic array of technical, business, market and security risks that threaten to disrupt or deny the timely, affordable provisioning of products and services required for mission success. Accordingly, OSMA's SCRM program is developing the NASA Supply Chain Insight Central (SCIC) information services platform (also known as *Insight Central*) for agencywide use in addressing key SCRM challenges, as follows:

- build supply chain visibility within and across mission projects to provide insights, situational awareness, identify risks and to support informed decision-making;
- improve interfaces with risk management and decision-making processes to anticipate, avoid and manage supply chain risks;
- streamline the planning, resourcing and performance of supplier quality assurance activities to optimize the reduction of priority risks; and,
- enable continual improvement of SCRM efforts through the recognition of shared concerns and collaborative solutions.

The initial operational release of the Insight Central platform is planned for on/about March 16, 2021. It leverages and builds upon the NASA Meta information system, managed by the Safety and Mission Directorate at the Goddard Space Flight Center, to provide core platform functionality and replace OSMA's legacy Supplier Assessment System. Subsequent platform releases throughout FY 2021 and beyond will provide additional capabilities and services to address the SCRM challenges.

The Insight Central platform is designed for use by NASA employees and support contractors across the agency who are involved in supplier management, oversight, surveillance and risk management activities and otherwise engaged in the assessment and management of supply chain risks. In preparation for the platform's initial release:

- data and files stored in the NASA Supplier Assessment System (SAS) will be transferred into the Insight Central platform for ongoing management and use,
- effective on/about March 10, 2021 SAS will be transitioned to a limited, read-only basis until the initial operational release of the Insight Central platform planned for March 16, 2021, and at which time users will be directed to the new platform and provided access information;
- requests for user access may be submitted, starting February 23, 2021, via the NASA Access Management System (NAMS) at <https://nams.nasa.gov> by searching for *NASA Supply Chain Insight Central* and submitting a request; and,
- user orientation sessions will be offered to those authorized via NAMS to access the Insight Central platform.

In addition, NPR 8735.2B (Management of Government Quality Assurance Functions for NASA Contracts) will be administratively changed to reference the Insight Central platform and require its use instead of SAS.

SMA leadership across the agency is committed to strengthening our collective SCRM efforts in support of NASA missions and fully endorses broad participation in the NASA Supply Chain Insight Central information services platform.

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